

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of the Claims:

Claims 1-43 (Canceled)

44. (Withdrawn) A method of requesting and receiving information stored in electronic or other form, the method comprising the steps of
- at a host system, classifying information according to subject terms and encoding subject terms with codes,
 - wherein each code comprises one or more alpha-numeric sub-codes in a hierarchical structure,
 - storing said codes and information or links associated with said codes in a database;
 - entering a code into a user's communications device;
 - transmitting the code to the host system;
 - at the host system, recognizing the code as a request for information,
 - parsing the code and retrieving information from one or more databases or servers,
 - using the information or links associated with the code, and
 - transmitting the retrieved information to the user's communications device.
45. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein a code comprising n sub-codes provide for n levels in the hierarchical structure.
46. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein the sub-codes are numeric.
47. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein said sub-codes comprise a two digit code.
48. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein all of said sub-codes have the same data structure.
49. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein the codes include a sequence of one or more of said numeric or alpha-numeric sub-codes.

50. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 47, wherein the codes comprise a sequence of two digit sub-codes.

51. (Canceled)

52. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein the sub-codes or codes are used to navigate to desired or associated links or information.

53. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein each of the sub-codes at each level of the hierarchical structure is associated with a certain subject-term.

54. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein the codes consist solely of a combination of said sub-codes.

55. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein information assigned a particular code relates either:

- i) to the subject-term associated with said particular code if the code includes a single sub-code; or
- ii) to all subject-terms associated with all sub-codes of said particular code if the code includes more than one sub-code.

56. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein one or more of said codes are distributed together with information or products.

57. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein an indexing function is provided at each level of said hierarchical structure.

58. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 57, wherein at each level of said hierarchical structure data related to subject-terms associated with the sub-codes are available upon entering a particular sub-code.

59. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 53, wherein one or more of the sub-codes are converted into the associated subject-terms.

60. (Withdrawn) A method according to claim 44, wherein codes complemented by subject-terms are used to search for, access or receive information.

Claims 61-91 (Canceled)

92. (Currently amended) A host system for providing information stored in electronic or other form, the system comprising:

~~means for classifying information according to subject terms;~~
~~means for encoding subject terms with codes,~~
~~wherein each code comprises one or more alpha-numeric sub-codes in a hierarchical structure;~~

means for a database, wherein the database stores storing codes, and information and or links associated with said codes in a database;, wherein each code comprises a plurality of alpha-numeric sub-codes in a hierarchical structure, and wherein the codes are used for classifying information according to subject terms by encoding subject terms with codes;

a network receiver, wherein the network receiver receives a code from a user's communications device;

~~means for receiving a code from a user's communications device;~~

a set of executable software code stored on the host system such that when the set of executable software code is executed, the code received by the user is recognized as a request for information, is parsed, and information is retrieved from one or more databases or servers by using information and links associated with the code received by the user; and

~~means for recognising the code as a request for information;~~

~~means for parsing the code;~~

~~means for retrieving information from one or more databases or servers by using information and links associated with the code, and~~

means for transmitting a transmitter, wherein the retrieved information is transmitted to the user's communications device over a network.

93. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein a code comprising n sub-codes provide for n levels in the hierarchical structure.

94. (Cancelled)

95. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein said sub-codes comprise a two digit code.

96. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein all of said sub-codes have the same data structure.

97. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein the codes include a sequence of one or more of said numeric or alpha-numeric sub-codes.

98. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein the codes include a sequence of two digit sub-codes.

99. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein the sub-codes and/or codes are used to navigate to desired or associated links or information.

100. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein each of the sub-codes at each level of the hierarchical structure is associated with a certain subject-term.

101. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein the codes consist solely of a combination of said sub-codes.

102. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein information assigned a particular code relates either:

- i) to the subject-term associated with said particular code if the code includes a single sub-code; or
- ii) to all subject-terms associated with all sub-codes of said particular code if the code includes more than one sub-code.

103. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein one or more of said codes are distributed together with information and/or products.

104. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein an indexing function is provided at each level of said hierarchical structure.

105. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 104, wherein at each level of said hierarchical structure data related to subject-terms associated with the sub-codes are available upon entering a particular sub-code.

106. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 100, wherein one or more of the sub-codes are converted into the associated subject-terms.

107. (Previously Presented) A system according to claim 92, wherein codes complemented by subject-terms are used to search for, access or receive information.